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Presented for filing is a patent application claiming a Paris Convention priority claim:

Applicant: **Kenichi Nomura**
Title: **Fuel Injection Apparatus for Marine Engine**
Docket No.: **00146/003001**

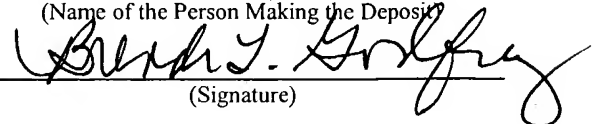
Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required for a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

Pages of Specification	18
Pages of Claims	1
Pages of Abstract	1
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Pages of Priority Document	20
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Priority Claim:

This application claims foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to **Japanese Patent Application Serial No. 2002-196624** filed on 05 July 2002.

Entity Status:

Applicant is a large entity under the guidelines set forth by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Assignment:

Applicant has assigned his interest in this patent application to Keihin Corporation (please see the enclosed assignment for recordation).

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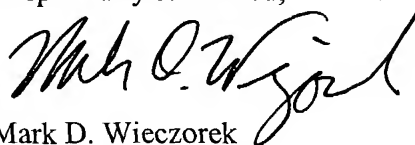
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Total claims in excess of 20 times \$18.00	0.00
Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$84.00	.00
Multiple dependent claims	0.00
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A PTO Form-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the filing fee. Further enclosed is a PTO Form-2038 in the amount of \$40.00 for the assignment recordation fee. If any further fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1187.

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Enclosures